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Dear Sir/Madam,

This is to Deny your refund request in the amount of \$295.00, for patent/serial number 09857136.

The IPER does not indicate that the claims meet the criteria for the smaller fee.

Sincerely,

RITA WHITE
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